

October 12, 1972

## Frank J. Bell

Services for Frank James Bell, 71, of Ferney were held Wednesday, Oct. 4, at 2 p.m. in St. Paul's Lutheran Church. The Rev. Edwin Rumerfield officiated, and burial was in Sunset Memorial Gardens.

Mr. Bell passed away Saturday Sept. 30, at St. Luke's Hospital after a short illness.

Music was provided by Mr. and Mrs. Alfred Suelz, who sang "In The Garden" and "The 23rd Psalm," accompanied by Mrs. Dallas Sombke, organist.

Pallbearers were Marvin Harry, Maurice Harry and Otho Schaller, Ferney, Maurice Hitchcock and Joe Berg of Verdon and Kenneth Tewksbury of Andover.

Mr. Bell was born Jan. 11, 1901, at Emmetsburg, Iowa. He attended school in Leola and Northern State Teachers College in Aberdeen and Dakota Wesleyan University in Mitchell. He taught school in the Leola-Long Lake area late in the 1920's.

He married Matilda Glasemann at Leola Nov. 22, 1929. He was part owner and manager of the service station there and worked in the Farmer's Elevator.

In June, 1936, he moved to Davenport, N.D., where he was manager of the Peavey Elevator for eight years. He transferred to the Peavey Elevator in Crystal, N.D., in 1943 which he managed until his transfer to Ferney in 1947. He was with Peavey Co. for a total of 27 years.

He was originator and manager of the Ferney girls' softball teams for many years. He also played the part of Santa Claus for school programs and for the city of Groton for several years. His special interest in children and the young folks won him their love and affection.

In addition to the friends and relatives from the surrounding area, those traveling here from out of the state were from Michigan, Minnesota, North Dakota and Washing-